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To: All Conversion Technology Regulations Interested Parties

From: California Integrated Waste Management Board

Subject: WORKSHOP ON DRAFT CONVERSION TECHNOLOGY REGULATIONS

Staff of the California Integrated Waste Management Board will conduct a workshop on the draft conversion technology regulations. The workshop is open to all interested parties and is free of charge. It is scheduled for August 1 in Sacramento. The workshop will commence at 10:00 a.m. and provide participants with the opportunity to review, discuss, and comment on the draft conversion technology regulations. See next page for reservation information.

Attached for your reference are copies of the draft conversion technology regulatory requirements and related transfer/processing regulations. CIWMB staff will revise the regulations based on workshop participant comments. Formal notice of the rulemaking is scheduled for Fall 2003.

The following summarizes the main concepts of the draft regulations:

- Apply to conversion technology facilities [i.e., facilities using catalytic cracking, distillation, gasification, hydrolysis, and pyrolysis];
- Do not apply to activities using biomass conversion, composting, anaerobic digestion, or incineration;
- Establish permit tiers that are the same for conversion technology operations and facilities as for transfer/processing operations and facilities;
- Require conversion technology facilities to comply with the same state minimum standards as transfer/processing facilities [See transfer/processing regulations attachment];
- Exempt from regulation facilities that meet the “3-part test” regarding source separation, residuals, and putrescibles [The “3-part test” is found in the transfer/processing regulations attachment under section 17402.5(d)];
- Exempt from regulation conversion technology operations and facilities that might be considered as “manufacturers” if they meet the 3-part test;
- Exclude very small conversion technology activities conducted in a closed environment;
- Do not require a permit for very small conversion technology research operations (must meet Enforcement Agency Notification requirements instead);

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- Require a conversion technology research operation (i.e., receives less than 15 tpd) to meet the Enforcement Agency Notification requirements; and
- Create a full solid waste facility permit entitled “Conversion Technology Facility Permit.”

The August 1 workshop in Sacramento will be held in the Sierra Hearing Room on the 2nd Floor of the Cal/EPA building, 1001 I Street. The workshop will begin at 10:00 a.m. Driving directions are available at the following website:

<http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/BoardInfo/Location/#CalEPA>.

Workshop reservations should be made by phone or E-mail to:

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Attachments